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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

Appeal from Clarendon County

Ralph F. Cothran, Circuit Court Judge

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THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

v.

CHARLIE BELSER,

APPELLANT

APPELLATE CASE NO. 2013-000341

PETITION FOR EXTENSION TO FILE
INITIAL BRIEF OF APPELLANT
AND DESIGNATION OF MATTER

The undersigned counsel respectfully requests a **final thirty day extension, until January 15, 2014**, in which to file the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the above-referenced case. In support of this motion, counsel would respectfully show the Court the following extraordinary circumstances:

1. The initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in this case are due to be served and filed today.

2. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Jonathan James v. The State of South Carolina on December 9, 2013. Counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Antonio Moultrie v. State on December 9, 2013. Counsel had an oral argument in the case of State v. Donta Kevon Reid in the

Supreme Court, on December 5, 2013. On Friday, November 22, 2013, counsel filed the petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of State v. James Bowers. On Wednesday, November 20, 2013, counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. Bronson Shelley. On Tuesday, November 19, 2013, counsel had an oral argument in the South Carolina Supreme Court in the case of State v. Eric Dantzler. On Thursday, November 14, 2013, counsel filed the petition for rehearing in the cases of State v. Wesley Smith. On Wednesday, November 13, 2013, counsel filed Johnson petition for writ of certiorari and accompanying appendix in the case of Kenny Jackson v. State. On Wednesday, November 13, 2013, counsel had an oral argument in the South Carolina Court of Appeals in the case of State v. Ted Abney. And also on Wednesday, November 13, 2013, counsel had an oral argument in the South Carolina Court of Appeals in the case of State v. Antrell Felder. On Tuesday, November 12, 2013, counsel had an oral argument in the South Carolina Court of Appeals in the case of State v. Roderick Bradley. On Monday, November 4, 2013, counsel filed the initial brief of appellant and designation of matter in the case of State v. James Carrier. On Tuesday, November 3, 2013, counsel had an oral argument in the South Carolina Court of Appeals in the case of State v. Ronald Black.


3. This request is made in good faith, and not for purposes of delay. Counsel intends to continue to work on the cases with more than three extensions first so that the caseload will hopefully become more manageable in the near future, and less extensions will need to be requested.

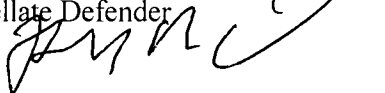
4. As indicated by her consent below, counsel for the state graciously consents to or does not oppose this request.

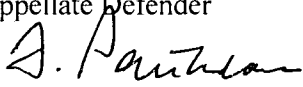
WHEREFORE, the undersigned counsel would respectfully request a **final thirty day extension, until January 15, 2014**. Counsel respectfully requests that the time limits for filing the

initial brief of appellant and designation of matter be held in abeyance pending a ruling on this motion.

Respectfully submitted,

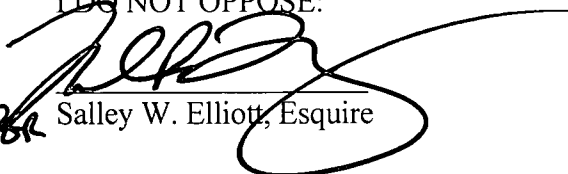

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December 16, 2013

LDG NOT OPPOSE:


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